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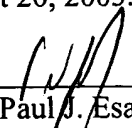
1. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application Publication No. 10-304452, dated November 13, 1998.

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The reference is cited in a Japanese Office Action dated June 5, 2003 received from the Japanese Patent Office. Applicant is submitting a copy of the above-cited reference, together with a translation of the Examiner's comments regarding the reference from the Official Action. The relevance of the reference is described in the Official Action.

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